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**Amendments to the Abstract:**

**ABSTRACT**

Please replace the abstract that appears on page 7 of the specification with the following revised abstract which is submitted on a separate sheet.

Abstract

~~The invention relates to a~~ A method for exchanging data between field devices used in automation technology. ~~According to said~~ The method[[,]] ~~data is exchanged~~ permits data exchange via radio waves in addition to a data exchange via a field bus [[FB]]. This permits a more rapid data exchange, which is not restricted by the protocol control of the field bus.